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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LINKING BUSINESS INTERESTS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 22 pages comprised of 1 cover sheet, 16 pages of specification, 4 pages of claims, and 1 page of abstract
- ☒ Declaration & Power of Attorney
- ☒ Priority Claimed from US Provisional Application No. 60/484,287, filed July 3, 2003.
- ☐ Certified copy of _____
- ☒ 4 sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Richard J. Fine, and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☒ Other: The undersigned hereby declares that this applications meets the qualifications for **Small Entity Status** under 37 C.F.R. 1.9(f) and 1.27(c) - Small Business Concerns - Independent Inventor.

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